**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**
**ABSTRACT**

E.F.S. & T. Department – Appointment of District Honorary Wildlife Wardens for Visakhapatnam, Kurnool and Nandyal Districts respectively under section 4(1)(bb) of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 – Orders – Issued.

---

**ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY ( Section-II) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.Rt.No.95** **Dated:29.11.2023.**

**Read:-**

From the PCCF (WL) & CWLW, A.P., Lr.Rc.No.21023/2/2021/WL-2, dated 16.09.2023 along with resolution of the State Board for Wildlife.

***

**ORDER:**

The Government are empowered to appoint the Honorary Wildlife Wardens in each District for the purpose of involving the community leaders and Wildlife enthusiasts, who have the interest as well as the capacity to render necessary assistance to the Chief Wildlife Warden, Andhra Pradesh for Wildlife Conservation in the State under section 4(1)(bb) of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 as amended in 2002. Such assistance can be very useful in controlling poaching, clandestine trade in wild animals, their derivatives or their articles; and also for carrying the message on Wildlife and related matters to the people living in and around the Sanctuaries and National Parks.

2. As per sub-section (3) of section 4 of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, the Honorary Wildlife Wardens appointed under this section shall be subordinate to the Chief Wildlife Warden of the State.

3. In the letter read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Chief Wildlife Warden, A.P., has stated that the State Board for Wildlife have approved for appointment of Sri Sathi Mandha Reddy as Honorary Wildlife Warden of Visakhapatnam District, Sri Puvvadi Bhaskar as Honorary Wildlife Warden of Kurnool District and Sri Avula Venkata Narayana Reddy as Honorary Wildlife Warden of Nandyal District respectively for a period of one year in the first instance; and it may be renewed further for a period not exceeding 2-3 years at a time. He, has therefore requested to issue orders in the matter.

4. After careful examination of the proposal of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife Warden, A.P., and in view of the recommendation of the State Board for Wildlife, the Government hereby appoint the following members as Honorary Wildlife Wardens in respect of the following (3) Districts under section 4(1)(bb) of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 as amended in 2002 as per the provisions of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and indicating the duties and responsibilities as detailed below:

| Sl.No. | Name of the District | Name of the member appointed<br>Sarvasri |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Visakhapatnam | Sathi Mandha Reddy,<br>13-574/5/1, Sector-2, Near Coco-Cola Godown, Sundarayya Nagar, Arilova, Visakhapatnam – 530040. |
| 2 | Kurnool | Puvvadi Bhaskar,<br>Arya Vysya Youth leader, Atmakur town, Kurnool District. |
| 3 | Nandyal | Avula Venkata Narayana Reddy,<br>H.No.9, Phase-II, Senor Valley, Road No.10, Film Nagar, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad – 500 033. |

**[Contd...P2]**

a. Duties and Responsibilities of the Honorary Wildlife Wardens shall be as follows:-

i. Control of poaching and clandestine trade in wild animals and products/articles thereof;

ii. Detection and prosecution of offences under the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and Rules.

iii. Preventing damage to the habitat of wildlife;

iv. Identification and selection of areas suitable to be declared as Sanctuaries, National Parks, closed Areas etc. as well as measures for their proper protection;

v. Measures for dealing with the problem of damage caused by wild animals to human life and therein property, including assessment and payment of compensation; and

vi. Carrying the message of conservation to the people and enlisting public support for nature and wildlife conservation. This effort should be specially directed towards the communities living in or near the declared wildlife reserves;

b. The term of appointment of the District Honorary Wildlife Warden shall be for a period of one year from the date of issue of this order. However, the State Government may, at its discretion, terminate the appointment of any District Honorary Wildlife Warden.

c. The Wildlife Advisory Board, Andhra Pradesh shall review the functioning of the scheme of District Honorary Wildlife Warden for the State of Andhra Pradesh.

d. Actual expenses incurred by District Honorary Wildlife Warden on travel by public transport for carrying out the duties assigned to him shall be reimbursed, as per the prescribe procedures. In addition, all actual expenses incurred in the detection of an offence under the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, which leads to successful prosecution may be reimbursed after due verification, as per the prescribe procedures.

5. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, A.P., Mangalagiri, Guntur District, is directed to take action for conducting regular meetings and to involve the Honorary Wildlife Wardens actively in Wildlife Conservation measures.

6. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (HR.II) Department vide their U.O.No.2125654/HR.II/FIN01-HR0PDPP(RRD)/95/2023, dated 20.10.2023.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

NEERABH KUMAR PRASAD
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & CWLW,
Andhra Pradesh, Mangalagiri, Guntur.
All the Members through the PCCF (WL) & CWLW, A.P., Mangalagiri.
The Accountant General, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Pay & Accounts Officer, Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada.

**Copy to:**
The Secretary to Government of India,
MoEF&CC, Paryavaran Bhavan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road,
New Delhi-110 003.
The P.S to Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister.

**[Contd...P3]**

The P.S to Hon'ble Minister (E, FES & T, M&G).
The P.S. to Special Chief Secretary to Government, EFS&T Department.
The Curator, Indira Gandhi Zoological Park, Visakhapatnam.
The Curator, Sri Venkateswara Zoological Park, Tirupati.
SF/SC

//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

30/11/23

SECTION OFFICER